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3 April 2012

Mr. Michael Morisy
DEPT MR 998
P.O. Box 55819
Boston, MA 02205-5819

Dear Mr. Morisy:

This letter is our response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for the following records: a copy of all processing notes and files, including the original essay, which was forwarded on to USCENTCOM, for FOIA request 786-720-12377 (USCENTCOM Request 11-0288).

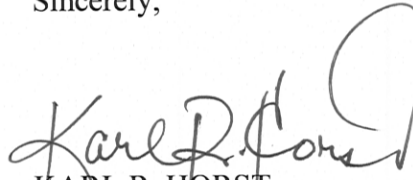
We conducted a thorough and good-faith search and located seven documents responsive to your request. After a thorough review of the documents, I determined that portions of the documents are exempt from release. Information is withheld pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552 (b)(2), internal rules and procedures of an agency, (b)(3), as it relates to 10 U.S.C. §130b, personnel in overseas or deployable units; (b)(5), inter/intra agency privileged information; and (b)(6), information that constitutes a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. The approximate number of pages denied release is one out of nine pages. We referred the other portion of your request, the essay "How All This Ends" by Major General David Fastabend, to the Department of the Army, as it falls under their purview for a release determination. If you have any questions about the essay, please contact:

Department of the Army
U.S. Army Freedom of Information & Privacy Office
Attn: JDRP-RDF
7701 Telegraph Road, Suite 144
Alexandria, VA 22315-3905

Accordingly, in my capacity as the Initial Denial Authority, by withholding this information I am partially granting your request. We did not assess fees for this request. If you are not satisfied with this action, you may appeal to the USCENTCOM appellate authority, the Director of Administration and Management, Office of the Secretary of Defense. Please submit your appeal directly to the Defense Freedom of Information Policy Office, Attn: Mr. James Hogan, 1155 Defense Pentagon, Washington, D.C. 20301-1155. Please postmark your appeal within 60 calendar days of the date of this letter, cite to USCENTCOM FOIA request 12-0089, and mark "Freedom of Information Act Appeal" on your letter of appeal

If you have any questions regarding your inquiry, please contact my FOIA Requester Service Center at (813) 529-6683, foiaoffice@centcom.mil, and refer to USCENCOM case #12-0089.

Sincerely,



KARL R. HORST
Major General, U.S. Army

Enclosures:

1. FOIA Request for 11-0288
2. No Records Found Response to Requester for 11-0288
3. Chief of Staff Referral Memo to the Department of Army for 11-0288
4. Notice of Referral to the Requester for 11-0288
5. Record of Freedom of Information (FOI) Processing Cost for 11-0288
6. Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) System Notes for 11-0288

From: 768-72012377@requests.muckrock.com
Sent: Sunday, August 14, 2011 4:26 PM
To: Freedom of Information Act
Subject: Freedom of Information Request: Fastabend Essay: How All This Ends: It's Fourth and Long, Go Deep.

Document approved for release by
USCENTCOM. See FOIA response
12-0089 for more information.

August 14, 2011
United States Central Command
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Fax: (813) 827-1241

To Whom It May Concern:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act. I hereby request the following records:

A copy of the essay, "How All This Ends: It's Fourth and Long, Go Deep." The essay was written by Major General David A. Fastabend, Petraeus's strategic advisor.

The essay is mentioned The Gamble: General David Petraeus and the American Military Adventure in Iraq, 2006-2008, by Thomas E. Ricks and James Lurie.

I also request that, if appropriate, fees be waived as I believe this request is in the public interest. The requested documents will be made available to the general public free of charge as part of the public information service at MuckRock.com, processed by a representative of the news media/press and is made in the process of news gathering and not for commercial usage.

In the event that fees cannot be waived, I would be grateful if you would inform me of the total charges in advance of fulfilling my request. I would prefer the request filled electronically, by e-mail attachment if available or CD-ROM if not.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation in this matter. I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 20 business days, as the statute requires.

Sincerely,

Michael Morisy

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185 Beacon St. #3

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Case # 11-0288

Somerville, MA 02143



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15 August 2011

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Mr. Michael Morisy
MuckRock
185 Beacon St. #3
Somerville, MA 02143

Dear Mr. Morisy,

We received your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for a copy of the essay titled "How All This Ends" on August 15, 2011 (Ref.: 768-720-12377)

You requested a fee waiver in your FOIA request. In order to qualify for a fee waiver, the DoD component command determines whether the FOIA request warrants a waiver or reduction of fees. The burden is on the requester to demonstrate that the requested information is in the public interest because it is likely to contribute significantly to the public understanding of the operations or activities of the Government and is not primarily in the commercial interest of the requester. You, the requester, must satisfy these statutory requirements before USCENTCOM waives fees. Unfortunately, your request fails to address, in detail, the public interest requirement. Your request does not articulate how this information "significantly" contributes to the public understanding or meaningfully informs the public of government operations. Therefore, I cannot approve your request for a fee waiver.

We conducted a thorough and good faith search for responsive information in accordance with Title 5 U.S.C. § 552 Freedom of Information Act and Privacy Act Guide and Executive Order 13526. Despite our extensive and careful search for information pertaining to your request, we did not locate documentation responsive to your request.

We did not assess fees for your request. If you are not satisfied with this action, you may appeal to the appellate authority, the Director of Administration and Management, Office of the Secretary of Defense. To submit your appeal, please write directly to the Defense Freedom of Information Policy Office, Attn: Mr. James Hogan, 1155 Defense Pentagon, Washington D.C. 20301-1155. Please postmark your appeal within 60 calendar days of the date of this letter, cite to case number 11-0288, and clearly mark "Freedom of Information Act Appeal" on your letter of appeal.

If you have any questions regarding your inquiry, please contact the FOIA Requester Service Center at (813) 827-1810, foiaoffice@centcom.mil, and refer to USCENTCOM case #11-0288.

Sincerely,

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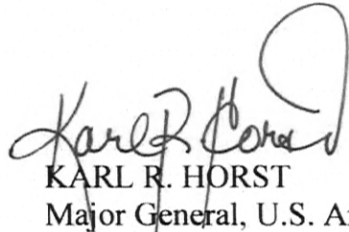
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6 December 2011

TO: U.S. ARMY FREEDOM OF INFORMATION & PRIVACY OFFICE

SUBJECT: Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Referral Major General David Fastabend's 20 page essay (U)

1. (U) USCENTCOM received five FOIA requests (attached TAB A) requesting a copy the unpublished essay, "How This All Ends (It's Fourth and Long...Go Deep)" by Major General David Fastabend.
2. (U) USSOCOM located and referred the document to USCENTCOM for review and release determination. However, after review, I have determined that the document falls under your purview for release determination, and direct response to the requesters identified in Tab A listed below. (b)(5)
(b)(5)
(b)(5). The recommended withheld information is identified by red brackets and proposed exemptions. This referral was pre-coordinated with (b)(6), U.S. Army FOIA Analyst. We are notifying the requesters of the referral by separate correspondence.
3. (U) If you have any questions pertaining to this referral, please contact my FOIA Requester Service Center at (813) 827-1810, foiaoffice@centcom.mil, and refer to FOIA cases 09-0216, 11-0264, 11-0287, 11-0288, & 11-0302.


KARL R. HORST
Major General, U.S. Army

Attachment:

TAB A: USCENTCOM FOIA Requests 09-0216, 11-0264, 11-0287, 11-0288 & 11-0302 (U)
TAB B: "How This All Ends (It's Fourth and Long ...Go Deep)" (~~S//NOFORN~~)

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12 December 2011

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by USCENCOM. See FOIA
response 12-0089 for more
information.

Mr. Michael Morisy
MuckRock
185 Beacon St. #3
Somerville, MA 02143

Dear Mr. Morisy,

I am writing to respond to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request (Reference Number: 768-720-12377) for a copy of Major General David Fastabend's unpublished essay "How This All Ends (It's Fourth and Long...Go Deep)."

On August 15, 2011, we closed your FOIA request and informed you that we did not locate responsive information pertaining to your request. Subsequently however, we did receive Major General Fastabend's essay from another agency. After reviewing the essay, we determined that the final release of the essay belongs to the United States Army. Therefore, we forwarded your request and the essay to the following address for a direct response to you:

Department of the Army
U.S. Army Freedom of Information & Privacy Office
Attn: JDRP-RDF
7701 Telegraph Road, Suite 144
Alexandria, VA 22315-3905

If you have any questions regarding your inquiry, please contact the FOIA Requester Service Center at (813) 529-6714, foiaoffice@centcom.mil, and refer to USCENCOM case #11-0288.

Sincerely,

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U.S. Air Force

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RECORD OF FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (FOI) PROCESSING COST						REPORT CONTROL SYMBOL DD-DA&M(A)1365	
Please read instructions on back before completing form.							
1. REQUEST NUMBER 11-0287		2. TYPE OF REQUEST (X one) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a. INITIAL <input type="checkbox"/> b. APPEAL		3. DATE COMPLETED (YYYYMMDD) 20110815		4. ACTION OFFICE CCJ6-R	
5. CLERICAL HOURS (E-9/GS-8 and below)				FEE CODE	(1) TOTAL HOURS	(2) HOURLY RATE	(3) COST
a. SEARCH				1		X \$20.00 =	0.00
b. REVIEW/EXCISING				2			0.00
c. OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS				3			0.00
6. PROFESSIONAL HOURS (O-1 - O-6/GS-9-GS-15)/CONTRACTOR					(1) TOTAL HOURS	(2) HOURLY RATE	(3) COST
a. SEARCH				1		X \$44.00 =	0.00
b. REVIEW/EXCISING				2	1.00		44.00
c. OTHER/COORDINATION/DENIAL				3			0.00
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a. SEARCH				1		X \$75.00 =	0.00
b. REVIEW/EXCISING				2			0.00
c. OTHER/COORDINATION/DENIAL				3			0.00
8. COMPUTER SEARCH					(1) TOTAL TIME	(2) RATE	(3) COST
a. MACHINE TIME (Not PC, desktop, laptop)				4		X \$20.00/hr =	0.00
b. PROGRAMMER/OPERATOR TIME (Human)							
(1) Clerical Hours				1			0.00
(2) Professional Hours				1			0.00
9. OFFICE MACHINE COPY REPRODUCTION					(1) NUMBER	(2) RATE	(3) COST
a. PAGES REPRODUCED FOR FILE COPY				3		X .15 =	0.00
b. PAGES RELEASED				5			0.00
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a. PAGES PRINTED				5		X .02 =	0.00
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FEE CODES				16. FOR FOI OFFICE USE ONLY			
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1. REQUEST NUMBER - First two digits will express Calendar Year followed by dash (-) and Component's request number, i.e., 03-001.

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3. DATE COMPLETED - Enter year, month and day, i.e., 20031001.

4. ACTION OFFICE - Enter the office processing this request.

5. CLERICAL HOURS - For each applicable activity category, enter time expended to the nearest 15 minutes in the total hours column. The activity categories are:

Search - Time spent in locating from the files the requested information.

Review/Excising - Time spent in reviewing the document content and determining if the entire document must retain its classification or segments could be excised thereby permitting the remainder of the document to be declassified. In reviews for other than classification, FOI exemptions 2 through 9 should be considered.

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- Multiply the time in the total hours column of each category by the hourly rate and enter the cost figures for each category.

6. PROFESSIONAL HOURS - For each applicable activity category, enter time expended to the nearest 15 minutes in the total hours column. The activity categories are:

Search/Review/Excising/Other - See explanation above.

- Multiply the time in the total hours column of each category by the hourly rate and enter the cost figures for each category.

7. EXECUTIVE HOURS - For each applicable activity category, enter the time expended to the nearest 15 minutes in the total hours column. The activity categories are:

Search/Review/Excising/Other - See explanation above.

- Multiply the time in the total hours column of each category by the hourly rate and enter the cost figures for each category.

8. COMPUTER SEARCH - When the amount of government-owned (not leased) computer processing machine time required to complete a search is known, and accurate cost information for operation is available, enter the time used and the rate. Then, calculate the total cost which is fully chargeable to the requester.

- Programmer and operator costs are calculated using the same method as in Items 5 and 6. This cost is also fully chargeable to requesters as computer search time.

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Total Charged - Enter the total amount that the requester was charged, taking into account the fee waiver threshold and fee waiver policy.

Fees Waived/Reduced - Indicate if the cost of processing the request was waived or reduced by placing an "X" in the "Yes" block or the "No" block.

Fees Not Applicable - Indicate if the cost of processing the request was not applicable by placing an "X" in the "Yes" block or the "No" block.

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Phone:
Extension:
Email: 768-72012377@requests.muckrock.com
Requester Organization: MuckRock
Fee Category: Commercial

Request Details:

Date of Request: 8/14/2011
Date Received: 8/15/2011
Date Due to Requester: 9/12/2011
Agency Number: 768-72012377
Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Caveat:
Case Type: FOIA Request
Background:
Description: A copy of the essay "How All This Ends: It's Fourth and Long, Go Deep" by Major General David A. Fastabend.
Multi-Track Status: Simple
Expedited Processing Approved: ☐
Tasker Number:

Tracking Details:

Assign Offices: No Assigned Offices found
J6-RDF Status: RDF-00 Closed
Tracking Comments:
Comment Date Comment
08/15/2011 Received FOIA request. Preparing a No Records response as this is the same request as 11-0287.
08/15/2011 Mailed no response letter to requester. 1336 (b)(3) (b)(6)
12/12/2011 Mailed out referral letter to requester. Mailed referral memo to USA. See FOIA 11-0264 for additional notes. 1246 (b)(3) (b)(6)
Case Worker Assigned: Team 1
Toll Extension: None
Is Active: ☒

Closure Details:

Closure Date: 8/15/2011
Reason for Closure: Other
Closure Details: ☐ GLOMAR
☐ Discretionary Release
5 U.S.C. 552(b), FOIA Exemptions: ☐ (b)(1) ☐ (b)(5) ☐ (b)(7)(d)
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☐ (b)(4) ☐ (b)(7)(c) ☐ (b)(9)
Executive Order 13526: ☐ Section 1.4(a) ☐ Section 1.4(e)
☐ Section 1.4(b) ☐ Section 1.4(f)
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